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Secretary of State,
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FROM: [illegible]

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Anna Louise Strong, well known to the Department and bearer of Passport No. 798743, issued Nov 27 1944 by the Department of State, recently returned to Moscow after a short trip to Czechoslovakia.

On November 13, 1947 she said that she intended to leave Moscow almost immediately to spend approximately five days in Yugoslavia enroute to France. She wished to gather Yugoslavian "impressions" for a contemplated lecture tour in the UnitedStates, to which she intends to return for the Presidential election campaign, which she considers "the most important impending event in the world today."

On the following day when she inquired regarding the possibility of amending her passport to enable her to travel to Yugoslavia as a correspondent (redept. Sept. September 13, 1947) we informed her that it would be preferable for us to submit her application to the Department. She was undecided at first and gave us the information that her principals are The Allied Labor News, New York, and Telepress, London, but she could not clarify to our satisfaction whether she is currently on a regular salary or a piecework basis. However, in the end she decided against pressing the question of amending her passport for travel in Yugoslavia, saying that she "did not wish to bother the Department." We have heard no more from her regarding her projected trip through Yugoslavia.

We consider it likely that her activity as correspondent is not her main function.

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